## L\_CLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION

Docket: A-1455

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR SECURING MEDICAL INSTRUMENTS TO DESIRED LOCATIONS IN A PATIENT'S BODY the specification of which (check one)

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[x] was filed on <u>9-1-98</u>
as US Application Serial Number or PCT International Application Number <u>09/146,185</u>
and was amended on \_\_\_\_ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability as defined in 37 CFR § 1.56. I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. §119(a)-(d) or §365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or §365(a) of any PCT International application which designated at least one country other than the United States, listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or PCT International application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed. Prior Foreign Application(s) Priority Not Claimed [] (Number) (Country) (Day/Month/Year Filed) I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. §119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below. (Application Number) (Filing Date) Thereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. §120 of any United States application(s), or §365© of any PCT International application designating the United States, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT International application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR §1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT International filing date of this application. TI (Application Number) (Filing Date) (Status -patented, pending, abandoned) thereby appoint the following attorney(s) and/or agent(s) to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office Donald E. Stout, Reg. No. 34,493; Frank J. Uxa, Reg. No. 25,612; Kenton R. Mullins, Reg. No. 36,331; connected therewith: D. Jennings Meincke, Reg. No. 36,606; Philip H. Haymond, Reg. 38,177 Address all telephone calls to Address all correspondence to Donald E. Stout at telephone number (949) 450-1750 Donald E. Stout Peterson, Uxa & Stout 100 Pacifica, Suite 210 Irvine, CA 92618 Thereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon. Full name of sole or first inventor (given name, family name) Fred H. Burbank Inventor's signature Residence San Juan Capistrano, California Citizenship U.S. Post Office Address 30982 Steeplechase Drive, San Juan Capistrano, CA 92675 Full name of second joint inventor (given name, family name) Paul Lubock Second Inventor's signature Residence: Laguna Niguel, California Citizenship U.S.A. Post Office Address 30 Bethany, Laguna Niguel, CA 92677 Full name of third joint inventor (given name, family name) Michael L. Jones Third Inventor's signature Date \_ Residence: Capistrano Beach, California Citizenship U.S.A Post Office Address: 34441 Camino El Molino, Capistrano Beach, CA 92624 Full name of fourth inventor (given name, family paine) Richard b. Oui

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